



10 steps to recover the diminished value of your car after an accident:

1. Understand Diminished Value



2. Check Eligibility



3. Review Your Insurance Policy



4. Get the Car Professionally Repaired



5. Document the Accident and Repairs



6. Obtain a Diminished Value Appraisal

A photograph of a "Diminished Value Appraisal Report" form. The form includes fields for VIN, Year, Make, Model, and Debris/Repair Costs. It features a table comparing vehicle value before and after repairs, with columns for "Before", "After", and "Difference". The table shows a significant drop in value after repairs, with a final appraisal cost of \$549,000.

Diminished Value Appraisal Report		
Vehicle Identification Number (VIN)		
Debris/Repair Costs		
Before	After	Difference
Vehicle Value Before Repair	Vehicle Value After Repair	
\$22,110	\$22,110	
Debris/Repair Costs		
\$75.00	\$75.00	
\$3,500	\$3,500	
\$8,500	\$8,500	
\$1,500	\$1,500	
\$5,100	\$5,100	
\$5,200	\$5,200	
\$3,700	\$3,700	
\$930	\$930	
\$300	\$300	
\$1143,000	\$1143,000	
\$73,000	\$73,000	
\$195,000	\$195,000	
\$549,000	\$549,000	

7. File a Diminished Value Claim



8. Negotiate with the Insurance Adjuster



9. Escalate if Necessary



10. Consider Legal Action



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